

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
Jang Fung CHEN, et al. :  
Serial No.: Continuation of Appl. No. :  
09/840,291 : Group Art Unit:  
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For: HYBRID PHASE-SHIFT MASK :  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows: